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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Research & Development Board  
SUBJECT : Request for Technical Assistance

1. I would appreciate the assistance of your Committee on Medical Sciences, in connection with a problem now under study in the intelligence community because of its possible concern to national security. The attached papers indicate the nature and scope of the problem and contain certain recommendations as to steps necessary before the full implications of the matter can be evaluated.
2. Should the services of the Committee on Medical Sciences be available for this purpose, Dr. [redacted] my Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence, will contact whenever you may designate to work out the details of the study.
3. Because of the sensitive nature of this matter, all papers are being handled on an "EYES ONLY" basis. The code word "Artichoke" has been assigned and is "unclassified" when used in such a way that it does not reveal the nature and scope of the problem.

/s/  
WALTER R. SMITH  
Director

Attachment A

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